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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7080

BILL NUMBER: HB 1320

NOTE PREPARED: Mar 8, 2010

BILL AMENDED: Mar 5, 2010

SUBJECT: Ephedrine and Medication Substitution.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Harris

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Miller

BILL STATUS: Enrolled

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill prohibits a retailer from selling, and a purchaser from purchasing, more than 3.6 grams of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine on one day, or 9 grams of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine in a 30-day period. (Current law prohibits the sale of products containing more than 3 grams of ephedrine or PSE in one transaction.)

The bill requires a retailer that sells drugs containing ephedrine or pseudoephedrine to post a sign warning that it is a criminal offense for a person to purchase drugs containing more than certain quantities of ephedrine or pseudoephedrine

The bill also requires the Legislative Council to assign for study topics concerning: (1) certain issues related to methamphetamines; and (2) notification to a patient's physician of changes in manufacturers of certain prescription medicines.

Effective Date: July 1, 2010.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill requires the Legislative Council to assign the above topics to a study committee that meets during the 2010 interim. The impact would depend on whether the topics are assigned to established interim study committees or to new committees.

Background: Interim study committees operate under the policies governing study committees adopted by the Legislative Council. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study committees in the amount of \$9,500 per interim for committees with fewer than 16 members and \$16,500

for committees with more than 16 members.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services; ISP; IPLA.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: IPLA; ISP.

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